



Seymour Pond

BREWSTER

181 Acres

Not To Be Used For Navigational Purposes

X - Maximum Depth = 38 feet

SEYMOUR POND
(Brewster / Harwich)

General Information:

This 181-acre natural kettlehole pond has an average depth of 20 feet and a maximum depth of 38 feet. Transparency is only fair, extending to 6 feet, but this reading may have been due to a temporary bloom of blue-green algae. Surveys in the past have reported transparency extending to 13 feet. The bottom is composed of sand and rubble, and aquatic vegetation is scarce. The shoreline is low and lightly wooded; development is limited to a few cranberry bogs and a town beach.

The pond is located just west of Route 124. It can be reached by taking Route 6 to Exit 10 and heading north on Route 124. Access is over a town beach, but a town beach sticker is required to park during the summer months. Shore fishing access is provided along the Cape Cod Rail Trail. The solid bottom makes for easy wading.

This pond supports an alewife run via the Herring River and Hinkley's Pond. Young-of-year alewives provide an abundant forage base for game and panfish during the summer months. During summer, the water becomes deoxygenated below 19 feet.

Fish Populations:

The most recent fisheries survey, conducted in 1991, recorded 14 species present: yellow perch, brown bullhead, white sucker, pumpkinseed sunfish, alewife, smallmouth bass, white perch, banded killifish, bridled shiner, golden shiner, chain pickerel, largemouth bass, tessellated darter and American eel.

Fishing:

Best fishing in Seymour Pond is for yellow perch, white perch and smallmouth bass. All three species are abundant and display good average size. This is an excellent pond for pursuing these species with a light flyrod or ultralight spinning gear. Wading is all that's required — particularly in view of the fact that fish will not be found below 19 feet during summer. Try various streamer patterns, weighted flies and lures that suggest the appearance of young alewives. Grass shrimp are the best option for baitfishing anglers.

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